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Dear Westport P&Z Commission,

I'm writing to support the Westport Planning and Zoning Commission's proposed text amendment to eliminate the cap on multifamily housing in our zoning regulations. It is past time to eliminate this irrelevant and outdated rule which artificially limits the creation of a diversity of housing types in Westport. I commend the Commission for bringing this text amendment and working to make Westport a more welcoming community to all people.

This is an issue I feel very strongly about as my family was able to move into Hales Court after my father passed away. The need for this was great because we struggled to be able to find any sort of affordable housing options in Westport. Without the amazing safety net of Hales Court, I am not sure my brothers would have been able to finish out their schooling at Staples nor my mother stay in the community she has always called home. When I come home with my own children to visit their grandmother, I am proud to bring them to Hales Court. I wish these kind of options for more people - and part of that is expanding the amount and types of housing in Westport.

In addition, throughout the years I have looked into being able to move back to Westport and have been priced out of returning to a community I love and cherish. I would love to see recent college graduates, young families etc be able to come back and start their adult lives in the town.

I hope you'll support this amendment and vote to eliminate the cap.

Thank you for your time,

Audrey Lieberstein
Staples Class on 1998 ;)